



# Idaho Crop Progress and Condition

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## Potatoes in Good Condition

### Agricultural Summary

Temperatures across the state ranged from four to thirteen degrees above normal for the week. North Idaho received the most moisture for the week. Major agricultural activities for the week include caring for livestock, cutting alfalfa, and harvesting legumes and potatoes.

### Soil Moisture and Days Suitable for Fieldwork

Topsoil moisture is at 8% very short, 36% short, 56% adequate, and 0% surplus. Statewide, Idaho farmers had an average of 6.8 days suitable for fieldwork last week.

### Field Crop Report

The dry pea harvest, at ninety-five percent complete, has drawn to a close in most areas of the state. Potato vine dying or killed stage is also ninety five percent and potato harvest is thirty-eight percent complete at the state level. Corn Silage harvest, at twenty-eight percent complete, is well behind the five year average of sixty-eight percent. The Franklin County extension educator commented that warm weather has helped the corn crop mature in that area.

**Condition Table**

Percentages	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Potato	--	1	10	77	12
Range and Pasture	2	17	30	37	14
Irr. Water Supply	--	--	7	45	48

**Crop Progress Table**

Percentages	2011	2010	Avg.
Potato Vines Dying/Killed	95	96	98
Oats Harvested for Grain	93	98	99
Onions Harvested	80	82	83
Dry Peas Harvested	95	100	100
Dry Beans Harvested	92	66	85
Lentils Harvested	95	100	100
Alfalfa 4 <sup>th</sup> cutting	27	50	64
Corn Harvested for Silage	28	41	68

**Crop Progress District Table**

Crop	North			Southwest			South-Central			East			State		
	2011	2010	Avg	2011	2010	Avg	2011	2010	Avg	2011	2010	Avg	2011	2010	Avg
Winter Wheat															
Planted .....	33	42	42	67	73	68	63	53	62	73	72	72	54	56	57
Emerged .....	--	--	1	40	34	27	35	33	20	25	30	30	17	17	16
Potato															
Harvested .....	NA	NA	NA	77	93	93	46	46	49	32	28	36	38	35	43
Sugarbeets															
Harvested .....	NA	NA	NA	7	1	6	19	15	11	10	4	8	13	10	10
Alfalfa															
Third Cutting .....	NA	NA	NA	100	100	99	100	100	99	87	80	83	95	92	93

Avg (2006 – 2010); NA = Very small percentage of acreage in district.

# Weather Data for the Week Ending Sunday, October 2, 2011 <sup>1/</sup>

Station	Weekly Air Temperature				Weekly Precipitation		Since Mar 1 Precipitation		Growing Degree Days Since March 1		
	Hi	Lo	Avg	DFN	Total Inches	DFN	Total Inches	DFN	Base 40 Total	Base 50 Total	Base 50 DFN
<b>North</b>											
Coeur D' Alene	79	39	59	4	0.25	-0.02	13.52	2.00	3520	1926	-210
Grangeville	84	42	63	11	0.00	-0.42	17.59	2.07	3415	1867	278
Lewiston	83	45	65	7	0.09	-0.09	8.07	1.02	4677	2783	-25
Porthill	81	35	56	7	0.29	0.01	10.56	0.33	3324	1713	69
Winchester	85	35	58	8	0.28	-0.07	15.21	0.40	2719	1317	224
<b>Southwest</b>											
Boise	88	42	66	9	0.00	-0.15	7.70	1.66	4333	2527	-150
Emmett	87	44	65	9	0.00	-0.16	8.32	2.34	4316	2577	8
Glenns Ferry	93	41	68	11	0.01	-0.09	7.71	3.10	4382	2665	82
Grandview	92	37	64	8	0.00	-0.13	4.66	0.66	4286	2484	-372
Nampa	88	40	65	8	0.00	-0.14	4.96	-0.21	4292	2536	-146
Parma	88	42	65	11	0.00	-0.14	5.29	-0.37	4451	2640	128
<b>South Central</b>											
Fairfield	86	30	58	8	0.01	-0.13	4.73	-1.97	2744	1315	-141
Malta	91	33	62	9	0.00	-0.16	7.12	-0.20	3476	1894	-110
Picabo	87	40	62	12	0.00	-0.14	6.11	-0.09	3301	1809	231
Rupert	89	40	64	11	0.00	-0.14	5.38	0.09	3603	2000	-57
Twin Falls	90	43	66	13	0.00	-0.14	6.17	0.76	3877	2232	270
<b>East</b>											
Aberdeen	87	39	63	12	0.00	-0.18	3.84	-1.82	3451	1889	162
Ashton	83	39	60	12	0.01	-0.27	10.06	-0.85	2773	1337	10
Fort Hall	90	39	64	12	0.05	-0.16	9.07	1.76	3524	1939	-19
Idaho Falls	87	40	64	13	0.00	-0.19	6.11	-0.58	3596	1993	164
Lava Hot Springs	85	40	61	9	0.00	-0.21	14.44	7.13	3271	1775	-183
Montevieu	83	35	60	10	0.00	-0.14	3.95	-2.35	2952	1461	-260
Preston	85	42	64	10	0.00	-0.28	13.21	4.35	3684	2095	38
Rexburg	85	33	60	11	0.00	-0.21	8.14	-0.05	2970	1448	29

1/ Summary based on NWS data. DFN = Departure From Normal. Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) in inches. Air Temperatures in Degrees Fahrenheit. Weather data prepared by AWIS, Inc. For more weather information visit [www.awis.com](http://www.awis.com) or call 1-888-798-9955.